Cocoanut cultivation.

*41. [53] **Shri N. Raghava Kurup :** Will the Minister for Finance be pleased to state :

(*a*) has the Indian Cocoanut Committee expended any amount within Travancore-Cochin for the improvement and development of the cultivation of cocoanut ; and

(*b*) if so, what are the measures adopted and the amounts spent ?

Minister for Finance and Civil Supplies (**Shri Panampilli Govinda Menon**) **:**

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The measures adopted are the following :—

(i) To raise good quality seedlings and to sell them to cocoanut growers for extension cultivation ;

(ii) To conduct manurial, spacing and other experiments for improvements in cultivation.

Amount spent in 1951-52 *and in* 1952-53.

	Rs.	*Rs.*
Cocoanut Nursery Scheme	97,010	1,16,700
Cocoanut Research Stations	36,057	36,684
Cocoanut propaganda	..	4,053

Anti-corruption work.

*42. [54] **Shri Prakulam Bhasi :** Will the Minister for Home Affairs be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is a first grade officer on special duty for organising anti-corruption work in the State ; if so how long he has been on special duty ;

(*b*) has he been sent for any special training outside the State ; if so what was the period of training ; and

(*c*) what is the amount paid as salary and allowances to the officer on special duty since he took charge of this office ?

Minister for Home Affairs (**Shri T. M. Varghese**) **:**

(*a*) Yes. From 30-8-1952.

(*b*) Yes. For about a month (from 1-11-1952 to 24-11-1952. to Madras and Mysore.

(*c*) Rs. 7865 (approximately) up to 27-8-1953.

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